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to Hiroshima. Doctor Newman had been undertaking the medical treatment of the *Sealda* prior to the discovery of plague on the vessel, and reports, apparently not well founded, are in circulation that his death was due to plague. With the above possible exception, no new cases of plague are reported among the crew of the *Sealda* or elsewhere in Japan.

Since my last report a new case of cholera has been reported in Kobe.

*Emigrants recommended for rejection.*

Number of emigrants per steamship *Korea* recommended, November 9, for rejection: For Honolulu, 6; for San Francisco, 3.

Number of emigrants per steamship *Gaelic* recommended, November 16, for rejection: For Honolulu, 3.

PANAMA.

*Report from Colon—Vessels cleared for United States ports—Case of yellow fever reported November 9 discharged and infected areas disinfected.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, November 28 and 29, as follows:

During the week ended November 26, 1904, the following vessels cleared for ports in the United States and were granted bills of health:

Austrian steamship *Freida*, for Ponce via Jamaica, November 21, with 33 crew and 6 passengers.

American brig *F. M. Schepp*, for New York, November 21, with 8 crew and no passengers.

French steamship *Le Calvados*, for Aguadilla via Hayti, November 21, with 43 crew and 4 passengers.

American steamship *Allianca*, for New York, November 23, with 65 crew and 43 passengers.

British steamship *Chancellor*, for New Orleans via Mexican ports, November 23, with 40 crew and no passengers.

German steamship *Bradford*, for New Orleans via Limon, November 23, with 35 crew and 5 passengers.

The case of yellow fever which was reported in Colon on November 9 has recovered and been discharged from the hospital. The infected areas, both in Panama and Colon, have been disinfected and no further cases have developed in either place. A clean bill of health is now being issued to vessels clearing for ports in the United States.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

*Report from Manila—No quarantinable diseases—Quarantine restrictions on interisland vessels to be relaxed—Fumigation of vessels bound for United States ports—Epidemic smallpox in the provinces.*

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, October 29 and November 3, as follows:

During the week ended October 22, 1904, there were no quarantinable diseases reported in Manila.

Owing to the favorable reports which are being received from the provinces, it is deemed advisable to relax somewhat the quarantine